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Case No. 659/1528 (K-C 14,954)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Wang et al.**

Serial No.: **09/579,842**

Filing Date: **May 26, 2000**

For: **MOISTURE-INDUCED POLY(ETHYLENE  
OXIDE) GEL, METHOD OF MAKING  
SAME AND ARTICLES USING SAME**

Examiner: **Jeffrey C. Mullis**

Group Art Unit No.: **1711**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.



Applicant is:



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- ☒ The fee set forth in § 1.17(e) must be filed along with this request:
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  - ☐ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
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## RESPONSE

**Commissioner for Patents**  
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Dear Sir:

This responds to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003 and is submitted with the Request for Continued Examination being concurrently filed with this Response. Please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

**In the listing of inventors:**

Please change the order of named inventors to read as follows:

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